

Living in the Rocky Mountain West, satellite radio services, such as XM, are great. There isn't radio coverage in all areas of the Rocky Mountain West like parts of the rest of the country.

There is absolutely no reason that the NAB's petition 04-160 should be accepted. This is simply an attempt by a near monopoly to keep control and stifle any form of competition. If satellite radio services are restricted from providing potential localized information, then there is a good chance that storm warning information may never reach people who need it the most. This type of service is not available from XM now, but the NAB is more interested in its own monopoly than the safety of the people they claim to serve..

One would hope that FCC would show that they are an independent body with the best interests of the people in mind and not the lobbyists of the NAB. Rejection of 04-160 will prove it. Otherwise, the FCC is merely a tool of the monopoly.